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Sir:

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby claim(s) the right of priority in connection with Title 35 U.S.C. §119 and in support thereof will submit in due course a certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-186666 filed June 21, 2000.

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